

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

Torrance, California.  
October 18, 1926.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chamber at Torrance, California, October 19, 1926, and was called to order by President Dennis at 7.45 P.M. The following Trustees were present: Foley, Inman, Wolfe and Dennis. Absent: Brooks.

The minutes of the regular meeting of October 5, 1926, were read and approved as read.

The Clerk read a letter from the C.C.M.O. in which was enclosed a deed dedicating a portion of land to extend El Dorado on to Madrona.

Trustee Foley moved that Resolution No. 307 accepting such deed be adopted. Trustee Inman seconded the motion which was duly carried.

A letter from The County Flood Control asking the passing of a resolution (form enclosed) was read.

On motion by Trustee Foley, seconded by Trustee Inman, and a majority vote, the matter was referred to the City Attorney for investigation.

Under date of October 18, 1926, Mrs. Bain filed an application requesting a temporary permit to build some frame garages near her hotel in the fire district No. 1.

Trustee Foley moved that a temporary permit be granted for a period of twelve months, revocable by the Board at any time thereafter on ninety days notice. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion which was duly carried.

The Board of Education of Los Angeles wrote advising of the transfer of school property from one department to another. Letter dated October 1, 1926.

Mr. Fitzhugh, under oral communications, requested the amendment of the animal ordinance so that goats might be kept within 40 or 50 feet of a dwelling.

Quite a discussion followed, but no action was taken other than to refer the question to the Police Committee for report at next meeting on motion by Trustee Foley, seconded by Trustee Inman and a majority vote.

Mr. Vertz outlined his intention to operate a pit barbecue on Border Avenue, asking that a permit be granted to build.

Trustee Wolfe moved that a building permit be granted under the building ordinance and under the supervision of the building Inspector. Trustee Foley seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Chief Calder reported everything working fine.

Engineer Leonard reported progress on the street lighting proposition.

Mr. Gascoigne reported progress on the tree spraying having ordered supplies for same.

Clerk Bartlett reported September fines amounting to \$601.00 and building permits of \$23,150.00

Trustee Inman reported progress on the gas smell question.

Chief Calder said there would be no electric sign allowed at the curb in front of the Theatre building.

No report was made on the cost of stuccoing the Police Building.

No report was made on the question of allowing a small store in the residence district, although Mr. Leonard stated that it was the opinion of the Planning Commission that it should not be allowed.

Attorney Briney read:

ORDINANCE NO. 144

REGARDING INSPECTION OF FIRE HAZARDS.

Trustee Foley moved that Ordinance No. 144 be adopted as read for its final reading and same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Inman seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote;

AYES: Trustees: Foley, Inman, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: Trustees: None.

ABSENT: Trustee Brooks.

Attorney Briney stated that he had received some answers to his letters to other cities regarding the regulation of fire works, but was expecting more answers and would make a more definite report later; as to the P. E. dedicating crossings, he had received a letter saying the matter was wholly in the hands of the railroad commission indicating their dedication would be worthless. Mr. Briney recommended a conference-as suggested in the P.E. letter--between the P.E. and the City Engineers to show that we were trying to cooperate with them.

Trustee Foley moved that the Clerk charge the work done on Hawthorne Avenue to a work under improvement account, thus relieving the street labor and material accounts of this load, as same has taken on the character of new work instead of being simply repairs. Trustee Wolfe and Inman seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Foley, Inman, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: Trustees: None.

ABSENT: Trustee Brooks.

Trustee Foley mentioned that fire hydrants should be installed so that the new houses in the Cedar Avenue District could be reached in case of fire.

The Clerk was to order hydrants placed in likely positions. (at least three were mentioned)

Trustee Foley thought that the street light posts now dark might be repaired as to wiring, plugging, etc. and put into use at a very little expense, thus helping the visibility at night and moved that the Chairman of the Board name a committee to investigate and report back. Trustee Wolfe seconded the motion which was duly carried.

President Dennis appointed Trustees Wolfe, Inman and Foley.

Engineer Leonard was to take same up with an electrician and get approximate costs.

Trustee Foley stated that he had received complaints that cars were left standing on the Redondo Boulevard crossing for too long a time at night endangering motorists using this road and thought a complaint should be made to the Railway Company.

Trustee Foley moved that all bills properly audited be paid. Trustee Inman seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Trustees: Foley, Inman, Wolfe and Dennis.

NOES: Trustees: None.

ABSENT: Trustee Brooks.

At 9.40 P.M. Trustee Inman moved to adjourn. Trustee Foley seconded the motion which was duly carried.

A. H. Bartlett  
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

John A. Inman  
President of the Board of Trustees  
of the City of Torrance.